

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A buffer memory continues storing AV data having time code added thereto, which data is supplied from a time code adding unit. A drive reads the AV data stored in the buffer memory and records the AV data onto an optical disc. When an instruction to pause recording is inputted, the drive stops recording the AV data onto the optical disc, while the buffer memory continues storing newest AV data. When an instruction to resume recording is inputted within a predetermined time, the drive reads the AV data after the time of input of the pause instruction from the buffer memory, and records the AV data onto the optical disc. Thus the AV data picked up during the pause period is recorded on the optical disc. Consequently, the possibility of missing taking desired video (audio) can be reduced.